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COUNTY BOARDS GIVE SUPPORT TO COUNTY-WIDE SCHOOL BUILDING PROGRAM

Things Started Not Finished

Unfinished Business Engages Attention of Kiwanians. Mr. Fillebrown Makes Speech.

"Unfinished business" engaged the attention of the Kiwanis club Thursday with Dr. E. B. Lattimore chairman of the program. All during this and last year, worthy propositions had been discussed and new things proposed for the club which were referred to committees, but which were never seen through. It was to clear up these matters that Dr. Lattimore called on men who had been identified with the propositions. Jim Smith, county welfare officer, reported that there is still an urgent need for a systematic handling of charity in order to give attention to worthy objects and shun the deadbeats and impostors. Z. J. Thompson who once encouraged the building of a furniture factory still maintained that it would be a desirable industry for Shelby but that an experienced and capable man to head it is of prime importance; Lee B. Weathers on the question of advertising Shelby suggested that the necessary money for this purpose should come from a tax levy, such as Asheville has and that this is a most opportune time to spend money advertising Shelby in order to attract the Florida people who are now flocking to Western North Carolina.

J. F. Roberts, interested in the underprivileged child, couldn't explain why the tonsil and adenoid clinic had never been held, while Wm. Lineberger who sponsored the zoning law expressed pleasure over the fact that building permits are now required and that all new streets must be opened under the direction of the city engineer. Forrest Eskridge declared little had been done with the suggestions made by the late landscape architect Mr. Draper toward improving the approach to the cemetery, beautifying the last earthly resting place of the dead, planting shrubbery at the churches, etc. As for the "welcome" signs on highway No. 20 at J. D. Lineberger announced that the county commissioners had appropriated \$800 with which to buy these signs but that the local committee had never been able to agree with the Kings Mountain committee just where the signs should be placed at Kings Mountain. O. M. Mull who advocated the co-ordination of the various highway commissions into one body said difficulty was encountered in this endeavor, but that the committee had been successful in having a maintenance tax levied in the various townships, resulting in better roads.

The club was pleased to have as a distinguished guest Mr. H. M. Fillebrown of Pawtucket, Rhode Island who has been favorably impressed with Southern climate, citizenship and hospitality. He delivered a most instructive talk on "Americanism", pointing out the efforts about which we knew little, to undermine our government and throw it into a state of turmoil such as exists in Russia. Mr. Fillebrown is a manufacturer in New England where he has to contend with all nationalities of workmen. Mr. Fillebrown was accompanied by a representative of Lockwood, Green Co., textile engineers of Spartanburg, S. C.

Major Bulwinkle Here Visiting Friends

Major A. L. Bulwinkle of Gastonia, congressman from this the ninth district, spent Wednesday here renewing acquaintances. The major is still on crutches as a result of an automobile accident some 12 weeks ago when an automobile overturned while he was returning from a meeting of the state American legion at Raleigh. For many weeks he was confined to hospitals, but is gradually improving and expects to be able to discard his crutches in about four weeks, although the broken leg will be a bit short and will cause him to limp for the remainder of his life. Major Bulwinkle's injury kept him from making visits through the district this summer but he was able to make a hurried excursion through Cleveland, Burke, Catawba and Lincoln counties this week before leaving Sunday night for Washington to be present when congress convenes next week. His many friends were glad to see him out again and found him looking well.

Seventy rural women attended the recent district meeting of the Federation of Women's Clubs held in Reidsville. Fifty of these women were home demonstration club members of Rockingham county, state Miss Myrtle Keller, the home agent. In three curing houses of Beaufort

TO ADDRESS MEETINGS.



Miss Daisy Magee, who will have charge of departmental work here during the County Sunday School convention at the Presbyterian church.

CAROLINA CLIMATE EXCELS FLORIDA

Mountains, Piedmont and Seashore Offer Comfort That Is Lacking In Florida.

(Powell in Charlotte News) Washington, Dec. 3.—"Florida may think it has a modern Garden of Eden," Congressman Charles L. Abernethy said here, "but the United States Weather Bureau says there is no doubt of North Carolina's climatic superiority."

Mr. Abernethy, upon returning here from Miami went to the Weather Bureau for information. Experts there prepared him the following comparative statement: "North Carolina lies between latitude 35-50' and 36-33' North a position in the Temperate Zone intermediate between the increasing cold of more Northern districts and the continued, and at times enervating, heat that comes to latitudes materially farther South.

"On the other hand, Florida lies between 25-05' and 31-0' N., some portions a thousand miles nearer the tropics than North Carolina and all portions subject to long, warm summers and only moderately cool Winters.

"While great extremes of temperature are on the whole undesirable and probably not conducive to the best development of mind or body, neither is a climate too uniform best for the human system.

"North Carolina enjoys a mean between these two extremes in that it has a climate with many variations, cold to moderate, warmth at frequent intervals in Winter, moderate to hot weather in Summer.

"At the same time Florida has few marked changes from cold to heat and many days in succession of heat with little or no success.

"Probably one of the most potent factors influencing the daily life of the individual is that of variety. Sameness pall upon the physical system as well as upon the human mind. In Florida, the same landscape greets the eye North South, East or West; forests of pine, bare stretches of sand or fields of dwarf palmettos with an occasional orange or grapefruit plantation or pineapple grove and fields of potatoes and tomatoes. Not a hill with a name, a laughing brook or waterfall. Some beautiful lakes, of course, but acres and acres of marsh with stagnant mosquito breeding waters.

"North Carolina has its mountains the Great Smokies with their ever-changing hues, the restful green of Spring and Summer, the red and gold tints of Autumn, and the pure white of the Winter's snow. Farther East are the hills and broken mountain ranges of the Asheville region with its verdant zones and luscious fruits.

Away from the mountains in the wonderful Piedmont section of the middle portion of the State are seen successions of wooded hills and fertile valley farms, swift flowing brooks rushing rivers and waterfalls furnishing power to millions of spindles and other labor-saving devices. Here are the fields of grain that in late Spring and early Summer billow like the sea, with corn and tobacco changing from the dark green of late summer to the ripening shades of early Autumn.

"Stretching from the Piedmont hills and the 'fall line' there is a gradual slope to the Atlantic Coast with aspects much like those of

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Sunday School Meet To Open

Cleveland County Sunday School Convention Gets Underway Here Sunday Afternoon.

The annual Cleveland County Sunday school convention will open here Sunday afternoon with a program at 2:30 o'clock in the Presbyterian church. The advance outlook is that the convention will be well attended by representatives of Sunday schools all over the county. Cleveland county is noted for its Sunday school work and Sunday school leaders, many of whom will gather at the convention. Among the prominent state Sunday school workers coming are D. W. Sims, general superintendent, and Misses Flora Davis, and Daisy Magee. All will take part in the convention.

After Pennant. Several Sunday schools, it is understood, will be working for the pennant to be given by the county association to the Sunday school in the county having the largest number of representatives in attendance considering the miles travelled to attend. A large attendance is expected any way and this feature will add much to the interest in the occasion.

The opening program starts at 2:30 in the afternoon and on the program for the afternoon are: Rev. H. K. Boyer, of Central Methodist church, and Misses Magee and Davis and Mr. Sims. Mr. G. G. Page, of Kings Mountain, will preside at this meeting.

Wm. Lineberger, superintendent of the Central Methodist Sunday school, will preside at the night meeting and on the program will be Rev. Hector N. McDiarmid, pastor of the Presbyterian church, and Miss Davis and Mr. Sims.

The meeting at 2:30 Monday afternoon will be devoted to cradle roll and primary Sunday school workers and will be in charge of Miss Magee. At 3:30 in the afternoon intermediate and young people's work will be taken up under the general supervision of Miss Davis.

Monday evening, W. A. Ridenhour, county secretary, will preside, and this will be the closing session of the convention. On the program will be Rev. Zeno Wall, pastor of the First Baptist church, together with Misses Davis and Magee and Superintendent Sims.

The pennant will likely be presented to the winning Sunday school of the county at this meeting.

Juniors To Give Flag And Bible To School Here

The Local Council Junior Order will hold special exercises and present a bible and flag to the South Shelby High School on Sunday afternoon at 2:30.

A very interesting program has been arranged and is as follows: 2:30 p. m.—Invocation—Rev. H. N. McDiarmid.

Song By Men's Chorus First Baptist church.

2:40 p. m.—Reading, "The Bible," by pupil.

2:45 p. m.—Reading, "Our Flag" by pupil.

Song—By School.

3 p. m.—Presentation of Bible by Dr. Zeno Wall.

3:15 p. m.—Presentation of Flag—Judge Jno. P. Mull.

3:30—Acceptance of Bible and Flag—Prof. I. C. Griffin.

3:45—Raising Flag with song by chorus.

Benediction—By Rev. H. K. Boyer. In the event the weather is bad the services will be postponed until next Sunday. The public is cordially invited.

East Marion Street Is Being Paved

Contract has been let and workmen are now engaged in laying a concrete sidewalk on the north side of East Marion street from the present location street school. This sidewalk will prove a great addition to pedestrians and school children who use the street every day. The new work will join the sidewalk at the school.

Tom Tarheel says he is going to feed an egg producing ration to his hens this winter and get some of the money being spent for high-priced eggs.

A hick town is a place where there isn't much to be proud of except the traffic problem and the local millionaire.

TO ATTEND CONVENTION.



D. W. Sims, General Superintendent of North Carolina Sunday School association, who will be here Sunday for County Sunday school meeting.

DAWSON QUIET ON GARDNER BALLOT

Will Keep Party Reins, But Talks Not On Armistice Speech of Shelby Man

Raleigh, Dec. 3.—State Chairman John G. Dawson of the Democratic executive committee, spent Wednesday in Raleigh and received full reportorial impact on the Max Gardner Australian ballot pronouncement, but Mr. Dawson as head of the party is not yet willing to say what he thinks of the device.

The chairman's plans for the future indicate clearly enough that he has no purpose to quit the chairmanship. As much has been prophesied many times. The work is irksome and it takes a great deal of money to carry on the business. The party has had no chairman who chased money less, none who refused more steadfast to traffic on his position. The State chairman won't lobby and he won't pick up the difference between ease and comfort and scuffling for a living as all decent lawyers do.

But he isn't going to tire of managing the party. He broke all records in his first campaign and if there should be an Australian ballot he would be the proper man to manage the party in the first campaign conducted under it. There have been many suggestions that Chairman Dawson would retire from the chairmanship before the next campaign. But he will not do so. He will see the party and Max Gardner through.

The Kinstonian is so well satisfied with party affairs that he looks for no contest over the governorship in 1928. Perhaps the leading Gardner man in 1920 Mr. Dawson would be denied that title in 1928 if there should be a fight. But the Gardner leadership did not stand in the way of legislative command. The Lenoir county representative as speaker was the champion of the Morrison measures of progress. So well did his excellency like the Dawson style that when judges were talked about in the Kinston district Dawson was the man. He did not seek to be judge.

Mr. Dawson said while here that in time he might make a statement on party affairs and this doubtless would include a declaration on the Australian ballot. The party, however, has not committed itself and party considerations on woman suffrage once were great enough to balk Woodrow in an interview with the Washington women. The cattiest of them asked the President how he stood on suffrage. He replied that he could not speak for the party. They urged him to "speak to the party". And he waited.

However, Mr. Dawson and Mr. Gardner will find themselves in accord, all the leaders here think. The legislative council of women workers did their best to get the issue before both houses and almost won in the lower body. The Gardner position has been uniformly praised. He never has uttered anything that caused quite the comment that this did in his Greensboro Armistice Day speech. Declaration in the next State platform is confidentially expected. And Mr. Dawson will probably beat the party to it.

Methodist Protestant Church. There will be service in the Methodist Protestant church on Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Rev. L. S. Heims the pastor will preach. A cordial invitation to all.

You never hear anybody of native American stock explaining that dirt is "art."

Store Breakers Go To Superior Court

A preliminary hearing before Recorder John P. Mull Friday morning was given the gang of alleged store breakers recently arrested by officers and held in jail here.

Jack Bolick, Ernest Parker and Wes Hoyle were bound over to Superior court under a bond of \$750, charged with breaking and entering, and receiving. The direct charge from evidence was the robbery of the Lowery store at Patterson Springs. Seal Jeffries, whose car was used on the marauding trips and in whose possession some of the goods were found, was bound over to Superior court under a \$500 bond, charged with aiding and abetting and receiving. Lottie Hoyle, wife of Wes, was placed under a \$300 bond charged with receiving some of the stolen goods.

The other defendants will be tried in Lincoln county as they were not directly connected with larceny in this county and their alleged possession of stolen goods was in that county.

A large crowd attended the preliminary hearing and the open space around the bar was filled with enough of the stolen goods to open a bargain store. Numerous store proprietors, including some from Maiden and Mooresboro, were here to identify goods.

RACE HORSES WILL WINTER IN SHELBY

Four racing horses with their trainers arrived here this week and entered quarters at the Cleveland County Fair Grounds east of Shelby where they will winter.

The horses are in charge of Frank Wickersham, of Bellefontaine, Ohio, as trainer. Mr. Wickersham owns one of the horses himself and is well known on eastern and southern tracks. He trained the famous trotter, Joe Bowers, who sold for \$12,000 after establishing seven new track records including the 2:10 1-2 record half mile trot. With Mr. Wickersham as assistant is George McCarty, trainer and experienced follower of the dirt tracks.

The two men visited Shelby first during the county races and "fell for" the friendliness of the town and decided at that time that they would winter here.

The horses already here are Carry Watts and Pete LaConda, property of Colonel McElroy, well known horse fancier of Anderson, S. C.; Peter O'Neal, property of T. D. Murphy, of Spartanburg, S. C., and Bijou, Wickersham's racer.

Peter O'Neal is expected to be a wonder stepper after a season of winter training here under the hand of the veteran trainer, Wickersham. The other horses are in good shape following their long journey and will be worked out each day during the winter as the training progresses. Several of the racers are young and will learn to step during the coming winter with the idea of having their debut on the eastern tracks in the spring.

The move to Shelby as winter quarters by the veteran Wickersham speaks well for the climate and town and may mean that numerous trainers will winter at the fair grounds by another season.

Would Furnish Better Service

R. B. Babington general manager of the Piedmont Telephone Co., was a Shelby visitor from Gastonia this week with a clipping from The Cleveland Star in his hand showing that nearly 500 rural homes are supplied with electric power. Finding that these power lines extend to all parts of the county Mr. Babington proposes that if the power line owner will permit his company to use the poles already up, he will string telephone wires underneath the light lines and install modern telephones in the homes of farmers at a service charge of \$1 per month, thus connecting every section direct with the Shelby exchange and afford a service that is equal in every way to the high standard of the Shelby exchange which would be not only a convenience to the farmers but to the Shelby patrons as well. He is working on this proposition with the hope that some plan might be worked out whereby this system might be extended to the rural sections.

County To Assume Half Of Cost Of Building Program

Consolidated Program Divided Into 25 Units Covering Entire County With Sum Of \$222,000 To Be Expended In Four Years. Loans Will Be Made From State Fund And Paid In Installments Covering 20 Years. Three Cent Levy By Progressive Move Will Benefit County.

At a recent meeting of the Cleveland county board of education a plan was formulated by the board and approved and ordered by the county commissioners whereby the county will assume one half of the indebtedness of the school building program beginning with 1926-27 and hereafter a sum or take care of one-half the expense of the complete building program of the county schools. The estimated total amount assumed will be around \$222,000, which will be expended during a four-year building program in the county along the consolidated plan with the 25 units or districts. The plan as drawn up is the formal move behind an application to the State Special Building fund, provided by the last legislature, for a loan of \$87,000 to be used in the building program in 1926-27.

The step is perhaps the most decisive and progressive ever made by the county in securing educational advantages and follows the state-wide plan of equalizing educational opportunities. It is worthy of note, now that the move has been made, that Cleveland county up until this meeting of the board was the only county in the State of North Carolina that did not carry one half or more of the school building program. Lincoln, a neighboring county, all ready carries the full amount.

The plan as drawn for the loan and ordered by the county commissioners means that in 1926-27 the county will assume one-half of all the indebtedness of county schools and that thereafter the county will assume one-half of all indebtedness. This means that a tax levy of three cents on the regular valuation will be issued. This, however, will work no hardships. In the wealthier districts it will mean that operation expenses will be lessened under the county plan and the smaller districts will be enabled to add two months to their school term. The important move made was under the direction of County Superintendent, J. C. Newton, the board of education, Messrs. Spake, Mauney, Ridenhour and Forney, with the approval of the county commissioners.

The First Loan The first loan of \$87,000 as applied for will be used in the following manner: Unit 22, No. 9 township Fallston, \$33,000. Unit 24, No. 11 Township, Casar, \$24,000. Unit 23, No. 10 Township, Belwood \$37,000. Unit 16, No. 7 Township, Lattimore \$6,000.

It was agreed to make application to State Literary Fund for \$15,000 to cover outstanding floating indebtedness against Moriah and Bethlehem School districts.

The Plan Itself. The complete move of the board of education is contained in detail in the following paragraph from the minutes of the meeting:

"It was also agreed to assume one-half the indebtedness on the State Special Building Fund now outstanding as against the various school districts in the county outside of the Special Charter Districts and the same per capita amount of Shelby and Kings Mountain outstanding indebtedness and provide for payment of the same as outlined in Section 179 of the Public Law as amended by the General Assembly in 1925; and that all future building projects the estimated total of which according to the county wide plan, which is attached and made a part of this resolution is \$222,000, be carried on a 50-50 basis, and that for every dollar of new money assumed by the County Board of Education, the same per capita amount will be assumed for the Special Charter Districts. It is further agreed that the county commissioners will take over one-half indebtedness for buildings necessary for the six month school term and furnish one-half of all the new school projects over a period of four years not to exceed \$55,000 per year and the same per capita amount for the Special Charter Districts, that the Board of Education upon its motion will not ask the Commissioners to take over more than one-half the financial responsibility of the building program now being assumed by the districts until the aforesaid building program shall have been completed."

Estimated Building Program The estimated building program for the four years, covering the 25 units of the county-wide plan and every township of the county is as follows: Unit 1-Number, 1 Township-Census 222, composed of Holly Springs, Prospect, and Palmer, Elementary or possibly Junior High school; area 11-

Unit 2-Composed of Elizabethtown and W. J. Roberts; Census 180; Enrollment 137; Location on Cross Country Road near County Home; Building \$15,000.

Unit 3-Composed of Shelby Special Charter, South Shelby, Eastside and Ross' Grove.

Unit 4-Composed of Beaver Dam, Shanghai, and Sharon; Census; 310; Enrollment 240; Elementary School; Location on Cross Country road leading from Highway No. 20 to Sharon etc., in center of territory Building \$20,000.

Unit 5-Composed of Dover Mill and Ora mill; Census 240; Enrollment 200; Additional Building \$4,000.

Unit 6-Number 7 Township, Composed of Lattimore, Pleasant Ridge, Double Springs, lower half Padgett; Census 686; Enrollment High School 175; Elementary 400; additional building \$10,000. Location in town of Lattimore near present school site.

Unit 7-Composed of Mooresboro, upper half of Padgett, and Trinity; Location in town of Mooresboro on State Highway No. 20; Census 310; Enrollment 262; Junior High School and Elementary school.

Unit 8-Union, Cabaniss, eventually Zion; Census 441; Enrollment high school 70; Elementary 300; Location, on Shelby-Polkville road near Union; Building \$35,000.

Unit 9-Composed of Fairview, Delight, finally New House; location in town of Polkville; census 400; enrollment, elementary 300; high school, 75; building \$35,000.

Unit 20-Composed of Piedmont, Double Shoals and Palm Tree; Census 700; Enrollment High School 172; Elementary 450; Location on crest of hill 1 mile Northeast of Lawndale.

Unit 21-Composed of Beams Mill and Poplar Springs; Location, highway No. 18 at present side of Beams

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